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From my perspective, the new policy is a win-win for consumers and REALTORS®.

It works for consumers because it gives home sellers a choice whether to permit marketing of their property on the Internet and in selecting an MLS member with whom they want to work. It allows them to "opt-in" and have their property displayed on other brokers' Web sites even if they are working with a broker who does not participate in sharing his listings for display by his competitors. And it works for REALTORS® because it gives us the right to control where our listings are displayed on the Internet.

The government should not be dictating the marketing structure for real estate. Stock brokers and banks are dictated in what manner they will be responsible for selling their clients' wares. This allows the best of both worlds, for both the client(whose the most important) as well for the licensed entrepreneur.

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